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Editors Note: Dear Reader, as you probably expected, nothing much has happened, so there's not a lot to report. With luck and a whiff of racing oil that may change by next month. Maybe. Possibly? Hopefully? You could start sending cryptic comments and complaints so I could start a "Readers Letters" feature. Please?



Cover photo - No State Fair this year







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WHO DOIN' WHAT AN' WHERE IT BEIN' DONE ?

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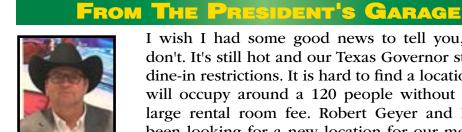
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I wish I had some good news to tell you, but I don't. It's still hot and our Texas Governor still has dine-in restrictions. It is hard to find a location that will occupy around a 120 people without a very large rental room fee. Robert Geyer and I have been looking for a new location for our meetings and we have had input from a few of our members.

If you know of a location, please email me.

At this months September Membership Meeting we will be taking the final nominations from the floor for the 2021 Cowtown Governor position. If you are interested in the position or what to nominate one of our members, please email Mary Pittman.

At the October Membership Meeting, the Secretary will be presenting the nomination ballot for the 2021 Cowtown officers and board. If you are interested, check the bylaws to see if you are qualified for the position.

The September Membership Meeting will be on September 4th at 7:30 PM and the September Board Meeting will be on August 16th. Both meetings will be available by way of Microsoft Teams Meeting. Please check the email that Doug McMahan sends out before each meeting on how to attend.

Please check Cowtown Vettes website for current updates!!!

Have a safe month.





Membership





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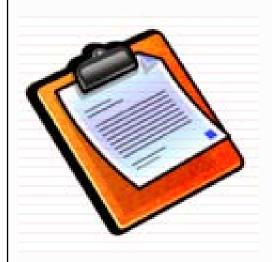
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09/03 Scott & Debra Sills 09/03 Scott & Mo Wheeler 09/14 Steve & Rhonda Weible 09/27 Raley & Jo Anne Smith 09/28 Don & Karyn Fowler



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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT





Guess What!

Yes, unfortunaely still not much to say. It seems 2020 has been cancelled, however as of this moment in time I beieve our Christmas party is still set for Friday December 11th.

Meanwhile, stay safe and healthy!

CTV ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY



FRIDAY DECEMBER 11TH 2020 FORT WORTH TEXAS STOCKYARDS

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WEBMASTER



So... what do Cowtown Vette Members do while there are no Cruises, no Racing Events, and no Parties

......we work our Vettes and read about cool Corvetteswhile stuck at home in the middle of a Global Pandemic.

So if you are running short on great reading material, following are three great links for your reading pleasure.

1967 BB Convertible...Former owners Larry and Sylvia Hoaldridge...Currently owned by Doug and Glenda Mc-Mahan and undergoing a full frame-off restoration by Doug with help from other Cowtown Vette Members.

Read by clicking on pictures



Pictured left to right - Douglas McMahan, Don Wells, Robert Geyer, William Nolan

Next up – " Split-Window Corvette Made in 1963 ooops 2013"

And finally – "1972 Stingray C3 Corvette Is Fastest in Track Test"



Well that's it... two C2's and a C3...that should keep you busy for a couple hours.

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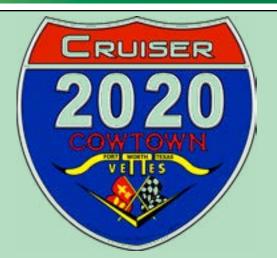
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COWTOWN CRUISER



CRUISERS

Hello everyone, hope this finds all safe and well. I am currently working on a picnic cruise for October after the weather cools a bit. As I have been checking on different locations with a gazebo or other shelter. I am finding that so far none will alow a group larger than TEN people, hopefully that will change soon, and we can all get together once again. If anyone has a suggestion



for a gathering location, please get in touch with me as I'm open for anywhere.

On a different note, I, along with the board, discussed not doing any cruiser awards this year because of all the disruption caused by the COVID 19 pandemic. Without any income from our sanctioned events, it was felt prudent to conserve as much money as possible and the awards became another VIRUS victim. I know this will be disappointing to those already participating, so I am asking for your input as a Cowtown member. All comments can be sent to me at <u>geverdrill@aol.com</u>. I will respond back to all comments.

As always Be Safe and stay Healthy

Robert Geyer Cruiser Chairperson geverdrill@aol.com

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National Kidney Foundation

Thanks to those who are keeping me on my toes and helping me follow through with our charity goals for 2020. In my last article, I mentioned that our planned charity activity for August was to have been to support the Don't Forget to Feed Me Program- a group that provides food for pets/animals- and that the activity would need to try to be rescheduled. Thanks to the help and guidance from Richard Downing and Jo Anne Smith, I have the following information to share. Their website - dontforgettofeedme.org - has an option for a dona-

tion. Click on the category donate funds or donate pet through Amazon.com or purlisted locations throughout



donate- weight of the food and cost- as we update this information in our charity records. During stressful times, animals are left behind, and families are not able to feed as they normally would, so any help is appreciated. We do not currently have a pet in our home but know the love that one can receive from their pet and hope that we can be of help to these furry friends.

The NKF Kidney walk has been scheduled for November 7, 2020 as a virtual walk. More details to come.

As mentioned last month, we are still short on our financial budget for charity for 2020. So.... we will have a trial run on a 50/50 raffle for the meeting in October and this is how it will work:

- 1. Tickets are \$5 each. You can purchase multiple tickets.
- Anne Smith, 304 Meandering Dr. Burleson, TX 76028
- 3. Jo Anne will notify me of those who have purchased and how many tickets were purchased.
- 2, 2020.

- 7. The first drawing will be for half of the money. We may have additional prizes.

This may seem like a lot to do but can be fun. Ohhhh... the anticipation!! Members have willingly donated to the charity program with donations this year, even when we were not meeting, and we are so grateful for the support they have provided. The goal is much more attainable St.Jude Children's **Research Hospital** due to their help. However, now everyone has the "opportunity" to be involved. Get your checkbook out and let's have some fun.





CHARITIES





DONATE and you will have the option to food. You may donate the pet food online chase food and take to one of the many Tarrant County. Please let me know if you

2. Ticket purchase is by check only. Checks should be made out to Cowtown Vettes and should be mailed to Jo Anne Smith. The mailing envelope should be postmarked by September 25, 2020. Her address is: Jo

4. I will draw tickets for each entrant and will email a picture of the ticket/tickets to you by Friday, October

5. You must attend the membership meeting- online-on October 2, 2020, to be eligible to win.

6. The winning ticket will be drawn at the end of the meeting- just as we were doing at each meeting.

Debbie Lindsey Charities Chairperson

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10 THINGS YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE C2 CORVETTE

- 1. The C2 "Pilot Line" or prototype cars were almost all convertibles. They were manufactured on the line at the same time as 1962 Corvettes, sharing some components with them. These pre-production models also came with a 1962 Chevy Nova handbrake.
- 2. When the C2 first launched, everyone knew the styling was influenced heavily by marine life. That was evident in the name of the new body style, which was written on the cars as "Sting Ray." From 1963 to 1967 model years the name was two separate words. Today, we're all used to writing it out as "Stingray," but that came about with the second year of the C3 in 1969.
- 3. Up through the 1966 model year, Corvette owners who wanted a convertible with the removable top for cold weather driving couldn't get black vinyl. Instead, they had to go with a body color roof. For the final year of the C2, the 1967, GM gave convertible shoppers this option, expanding styling choices.
- 4. Easily one of the most desirable Corvettes of all time is the 1963 coupe. That split window in the rear was discontinued after just one production year, thanks to Corvette owners complaining they couldn't see properly to reverse or even while driving down the road. Unusually, instead of ignoring customer feedback, GM made the rear window for 1964 and beyond a solid pane of glass. This means the '63 coupes are rare and quite valuable today.
- 5. Enthusiasts who are even just a little technical understand the importance of torsional rigidity when it comes to handling. While everyone knows about the switch from the split window to a regular rear window from the '63 to '64 models, they might not be aware that GM added more steel framework to both the convertible and coupe. They each feature steel pretty much surrounding the passenger compartment, plus in the coupe the steel extends overhead in the roof so sticking turns became that much more effortless. Optional wide-rim aluminum wheels also helped increase handling performance.
- 6. In the options list for the C2 Corvettes, is a line for an "off-road service exhaust system." No, GM wasn't suggesting taking a 'Vette "off-roading". Opting for this meant getting a muffler with three internal baffles instead of five. With less restriction in the exhaust flow the car sounded more aggressive, something people liked enough to pay extra for it.
- 7. Weight distribution is one of the big changes to the 1963 Corvette Sting Ray. Over half the weight sits on the rear axle, the first time an American front-engine car had such weight distribution. The result of this design is better handling in turns, making the C2 a legitimate threat on the track.
- 8. The scoop on the stinger hood on certain C2 Corvette models wasn't functional, except on 1967 model with the L88 427 engine which got an induction of fresh air through the hood scoop.
- 9. The 1966 model year introduced two 427 V8s. There are a lot of design tweaks which push output on these engines to impressive heights. Among them is the modified wedge-type cylinders designed for greater thermal efficiency. Thanks to a reduction in the ratio of chamber surface to chamber volume, more of the thermal energy was used to push the piston down instead of uselessly heating up the cylinder walls.
- 10. The iconic Rally Wheels became popular with the C3 Corvette, but they launched with the C2. The 1967 model first used Rally Wheels as part of the standard equipment.

Adapted from an article by : Steven Symes 7/2/2020

https://www.msn.com/en-us/autos/classic-cars/10-things-you-didn-t-know-about-the-c2-corvette/ar-BB16fZVw



This marks the 17th time a Corvette has served as the Pace Car, starting in 1978, and the 31st time a Chevrolet has led the field dating to 1948 when a Fleetmaster Six convertible held the honor. No other brand or vehicle has served as the "500" Pace Car more often than Chevrolet and the Corvette, respectively.

Corvette Racing Weekend Presented by Michelin

October 22-24 we are once again hosting a Corvette Racing Weekend, presented by Michelin, at the AACA Museum in Hershey, PA. Corvette Racing's Doug Fehan and Tommy Milner will be attending.

Thursday

Meet and Greet at Troegs Independent Brewing

Friday

Poker Run with visit to Harley-Davidson Factory, lunch at Quaker Steak and Lube. Corvette Racing Dinner with Doug and Tommy plus an autograph session

Saturday

Main event from 8am-3pm includes Q&A with Doug and Tommy, Corvette Racing memorabilia auction, Lee Willard with Michelin seminar, Cam Bower with Mobil 1 seminar, autograph session. Behind the Scenes tour of AACA Museum available.

I COULDN'T FIND ANY DETAIL INFO ABOUT THIS AT THIS TIME!

Corvette to Pace the Indy 500

A Torch Red 2020 Corvette Stingray coupe will serve as the Official Pace Car for the 104th Indianapolis 500 presented by Gainbridge, continuing Chevrolet's tradition of leading the field to the green flag. The Pace Car will be driven by GM President Mark Reuss.

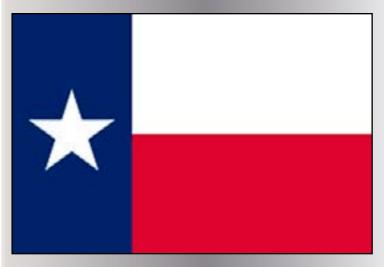
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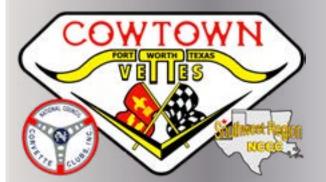
NCCC Events











As of July 15th, the Autocross Scramble Weekend was still scheduled for September 26th and 27th at the Texas State Technical College (airport) in Waco.

Unfortunately, it has since been **CANCELLED**.

Along with pretty much everything else on the 2020 calendar.

Please check the Cowtown Website for the most updated information on NCCC Events.

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Robert Geyer Co-Coordinator



Here it is September again and time for renewal of club and NCCC dues for 2021. The process starts on September 1st and has to be completed by November 15th in order for everything to be uploaded into the membership database. The renewal form is on the Cowtown Vettes website under the Meetings heading and Membership subheading. The amount for dues is on this page as well as the renewal form to be downloaded. Please make out your check to Cowtown Vettes and send to:

Jerry Lindsey 2303 Randy Court Mansfield, TX 76063

On another note, our family got together for our son Colin's birthday this last weekend in Austin. He arranged for an AirBNB at a place just south of downtown Austin and then we spent a couple of days on the Colorado River. Just to show you how things have changed over the years the house we stayed in was built in 1959, frame construction, 1143 sq. ft., three bedrooms, 1 & ³/₄ bathrooms and is valued at **\$750,000**. A remodeled house across the street was 2666 sq. ft. and is being listed by Berkshire-Hathaway for \$1,275,000. We will be staying in Mansfield.



NCCC Governor





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SW Region Clubs

BRAZOS RIVER CORVETTE CLUB (BRCC) Granbury, TX • SW-540	DATE	LOCAT
CEN-TEX CORVETTE CLUB (CTCC) Waco, TX • SW-200	9/5-7	Waco,
CORVETTE CLUB OF OKLAHOMA CITY (CCOC) Oklahoma City, OK • SW-468	9/11-12	St Lou
CORVETTE CLUB OF TEXAS (CCT) Dallas, TX • SW-074	9/19-20	Waco, Hollanc
CORVETTE OWNERS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH TEXAS (COAST) San Antonio, TX • SW-143	9/19??	TBD
COWTOWN VETTES (CTV) Fort Worth, TX • SW-055	9/26-27	TBC
EAST TEXAS CORVETTE CLUB (ETCC)	Ostahan	Ordin
Lufkin, TX • SW-577	October	Onlin
LONGHORN CORVETTE CLUB (LCC) Austin, TX • SW-207	Oct-Nov 10/10-11	Onlir Waco,
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MID-COAST CORVETTE CLUB (MCCC) Lake Jackson, TX • SW-170	10/10	Wac
• OKLAHOMA CITY CORVETTE CLUB (OCCC) Oklahoma City, OK • SW-131	10/17-18	Edmono Noble,
SAN JACINTO CORVETTE CLUB (SJCC) Houston, TX • SW-063	10/24-25	Housto
TEXAS COMPETITION CORVETTE CLUB (TCCC) McGregor, TX • SW-569	10/31 -11/1	Salado Hollano
TEXAS CORVETTE		
MOTORSPORTS CLUB (TCMC) Houston, TX • SW-568	11/6-07	St Lo
◆ TEJAS VETTES (TV) Plano, TX • SW-163 ◆	11/14-15	Ft Wort
TEXAS OUTLAWS CORVETTE CLUB (TOCC) Graham, TX ● SW-198 ◆ TIN HALL TOYS (THT) Santa Fe, TX ● SW-392		Comi
◆ TULSA VETTE SET (TVS) Tulsa, OK • SW-248		
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SWR COMPETITION SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	EVENT	CLUB
9/5-7	Waco, TX	CANCELLED Autocross Events	CTCCC TCCC MCCC
9/11-12	St Louis	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
9/19-20	Waco, TX / Holland, TX	WACO EVENT CANCELLED Little River Dragway 3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET (all 1/4 mile)	LCC
9/19??	TBD	3rd SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING @ TBD Nominations for RCD & RMD 2021 1st Choice Weekend Bids	SWR
9/26-27	TBD	<i>TSTC - Aires</i>	CTV (BRCC & CCT)
October	Online	Governors Vote for RCD & RMD (electronic voting)	All
Oct-Nov	Online	Governors Vote for National Officers (electronic voting)	All
10/10-11	Waco, TX	TBD - SWR FU 14 Low-Speed CANCELLED	тнт / тосс
10/10	Waco	4th SWR GOVERNOR'S MEETING @ TBD	SWR
10/17-18	Edmond, OK Noble, OK	Edmond Fire Academy - 50th Annual Southern States Cor- vette Festival 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events	оссс
10/24-25	Houston, TX	<i>Houston Police Academy</i> 10 Low-Speed Autocross Events 4 Low-Speed Autocross Events	SJCC CMCT
10/31 -11/1		Salado High School 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events Little River Dragway 3 Drag Events - MT, Record & ET (all 1/8? mile)	SJCC CMCT
11/6-07	St Louis	NATIONAL MEETINGS	Nat'l
11/14-15	Ft Worth, TX	TMS - 24th Annual Super Speedway Weekend 7 Low-Speed Autocross Events CANCELLED until April 2021	CTV (BRCC)

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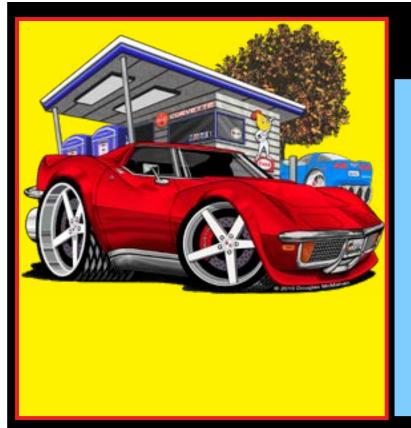




ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE SENT TO: COWTOWN VETTES P.O. Box 1974 Fort Worth, Texas 76101



DO YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS, PHONE NUMBER OR EMAIL ADDRESS? HAVE YOU SOLD YOUR CORVETTE OR BOUGHT A NEW ONE? If so, let Membership know so we can update your address on the various email lists. You can send any updates to Membership at: *ctv-membership@yaboogroups.com*.



ADVERTISE IN THE LOWDOWN! CONTACT THE EDITOR FOR INFORMATION

Future Corvette Owners Association (FCOA)

Do you have a son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, niece, nephew, or are a guardian to a child under the age of 16 years. If so, don't forget to enroll him/her in the **Future Corvette Owners Association (FCOA)**, NCCC's youth organization.

Website: http://www.corvettesnccc.org/fcoa1.html



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